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In re Patent Application of:
Motoshi ASANO et al.

Application No.: 09/774,682

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Filed: February 1, 2001

Art Unit: 3696

For: ELECTRONIC-MONEY SETTLEMENT
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Examiner: F. Poinvil

REQUEST FOR REFUND

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Dear Madam:

The Applicants, through his attorneys, respectfully submit a Request for Refund of \$1,080.00.

A Request for Oral Hearing was initially filed on March 5, 2009, with a payment of \$1,080.00 to the USPTO. After receiving a Supplemental Examiner's Answer, Applicants again filed a Request for Oral Hearing on May 22, 2009. The fee of \$1,080.00 paid on March 5, 2009, should have been applied to the Request for Oral Hearing filed on May 22, 2009, under 37 CFR 41.20(b)(3). However, the USPTO charged a duplicate fee of \$1,080.00 on May 26, 2009.

Pursuant to practice and procedures within the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, any previously paid appeal fees set forth in 37 CFR 41.20 for filing a notice of appeal, filing an appeal brief, and requesting an oral hearing (if applicable) will be applied to the new appeal on the same application as long as a final Board decision has not been made on the prior appeal. M.P.E.P. §1204.01.

A copy of the Deposit Account Statements showing the deductions from our account, as well as a copy of the filings of March 5, 2009 and May 22, 2009, is provided along with this Request.

Request for refund

The applicant, through its attorneys, hereby submits this Request for Refund of **\$1,080.00**. Therefore, please correct the deposit account entry and refund the charge of **\$1,080.00** to our Deposit Account 18-0013.

Dated: July 22, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Madam:

The applicant hereby requests an oral hearing in connection with the above-identified application. Please apply the \$1080.00 previously paid on March 5, 2009 to cover the fee under 37 C.F.R. §41.20(b)(3) for this oral hearing. The Commissioner is authorized to charge additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-0013.

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